

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

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March 13, 2007

The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

ACCEPTANCE OF PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACTS SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS 1, 4, AND 5 3 VOTES

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Ratify changes in work and accept completed contract work under the following construction contracts:

Project ID No. APT1080411 - Brackett Field Ramp Slurry, City of La Verne (5), American Asphalt South, Inc., with changes amounting to a credit of \$3,611.64, and a final contract amount of \$457,383.00.

Project ID No. FCC0000789 - Mindora Drain, City of Torrance (4), Mladen Grbavac Construction, with changes amounting to a credit of \$12,802.00, and a final contract amount of \$1,418,109.16 (Partial Acceptance).

Project ID No. FCC0001017 - Big Dalton Wash Citrus Spreading Grounds Improvements, City of Azusa (1), Olivas Valdez, Inc., with changes amounting to a credit of \$12,827.20, and a final contract amount of \$464,682.80.

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Project ID No. RDC0013933 - Fairway Drive Median Landscape Improvements, vicinity of Rowland Heights (4), Belaire West Landscape, Inc., with changes amounting to a credit of \$11,812.60, and a final contract amount of \$241,522.85.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

This action is to obtain Board ratification of Director-approved changes in public works contracts and Board acceptance of the work of the contracts in compliance with the provisions of the Public Contract Code. Included in the enclosures are project and contract data, the scope of work of changes to be ratified, and the work of the contracts to be accepted.

The Director of Public Works has been authorized by your Board to order changes in work up to \$10,000 for construction contracts. Changes to accommodate field conditions in order to meet the intent of the plans and specifications are not subject to this monetary limitation. Enclosed for your ratification are changes in work, which I ordered for Project ID Nos. APT1080411, FCC0000789, FCC0001017, and RDC0013933.

The projects have been completed, and it is recommended that your Board accept them on the dates indicated in the enclosures.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The acceptance of these construction contracts is consistent with the County Strategic Plan Goal of Service Excellence since acceptance of these completed contracts will provide improved infrastructure to better serve the public.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The modifications to the contract amounts range in value from credits of \$12,827.20 to \$3,611.64, while the total values of the contracts range from \$241,522.85 to \$1,418,109.16.

Ratification of the changes in work and acceptance of the work of the respective contracts by your Board is in compliance with the acceptance and prompt payment provisions of the Public Contract Code.

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Sufficient funds are available in the Board-approved appropriations for each of the respective projects to cover the costs of the changes and the total value of each of the contracts. Detailed cost breakdowns for each of the changes together with contract cost summaries are included in the enclosures.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

Each of these contracts for the construction of public works improvements was awarded by your Board to the lowest responsible bidder in accordance with the California Public Contract Code, your Board's directives, and as recommended by the Director of Public Works.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The changes in the work as described above and in the enclosures are within the limits of the Board-approved projects and do not change any conditions which resulted in the original environmental findings.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

Each contract provided that the contractor be compensated for changes in the work as a result of changes to the original plans and specifications or changed conditions encountered during the course of construction. The costs of each of the changes were based on contract unit prices, time and materials, or were negotiated under the provisions of the contract specifications. The methods for arriving at the final costs of the changes are included in the enclosures.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Ratification of the requested changes and acceptance of the work of the contracts by your Board will ensure the timely closeout of the respective contracts, releasing Departmental and County assets for other construction-related activities.

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CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to Public Works.

Respectfully submitted,

Director of Public Works

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cc: Chief Administrative Office

County Counsel

Office of Affirmative Action Compliance

ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT March 13, 2007

PROJECT ID NO. APT1080411, BRACKETT FIELD RAMP SLURRY (City of La Verne), Supervisorial District 5

Contractor: American Asphalt South, Inc., P.O. Box 3610, Fontana, California 92337

Project Description:

Crack sealing, slurry sealing using rubberized emulsion-aggregate slurry, and the installation of pavement markings on taxiways and aircraft tie-down areas.

Changes in Work:

Variations in Bid Quantities

(\$3,611.64)

Description of Changes:

The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The decrease in contract prices reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities. The costs for these changes were based on contract unit prices.

No additional working days were required because of these changes.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on January 10, 2007, in accordance with the plans and specifications. During construction, the contractor requested ten hours of overtime inspection, which resulted in a credit to the contract in the amount of \$525.00.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$444,443.24
Actual costs of changes in work previously approved by the Board	17,076.40
Changes in work authorized by the Director of Public Works	(3,611.64)
Deduction for overtime inspection	(525.00)
FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	\$ <u>457,383.00</u>

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ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT (PARTIAL) March 13, 2007

PROJECT ID NO. FCC0000789, MINDORA DRAIN (City of Torrance), Supervisorial District 4

<u>Contractor</u>: Mladen Grbavac Construction, P.O. Box 660219, Arcadia, California 91006-0150

Project Description:

Construction of a reinforced concrete pipe storm drain, drainage structures, and other appurtenant work.

Changes in Work:

` '	Variations in Bid Quantities Increase Catch Basin Depth	(\$14,630.00)
	Total	(\$12,802.00)

Description of Changes:

- (1) The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The decrease in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities.
- (2) The depth of three catch basins located on Kathryn Avenue was increased to avoid two interfering sewer lines.

The costs for Item 1 were based on contract unit prices. The cost for Item 2 was based on time and materials as provided in Subsection 3-3 of the contract specifications.

No additional working days were required because of these changes.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on September 23, 2005, in accordance with the plans and specifications. However, we are currently negotiating with the contractor the resolution of an outstanding commitment to slurry seal several streets.

Rather than delay payment of the retention to the contractor for completed work and pursuant to Section 7107 of the California Public Contract Code, we recommend all but \$38,000 of the retention be released. The amount of \$38,000 will be withheld to cover the cost of the slurry seal.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$1,285,995.00
Actual costs of changes in work previously approved by the Board	182,916.16
Changes in work authorized by the Director of Public Works Withhold for Slurry Seal	(12,802.00) (38,000.00)
AMOUNT DUE CONTRACTOR AT THIS TIME	\$ <u>1,418,109.16</u>

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ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT March 13, 2007

PROJECT ID NO. FCC0001017, BIG DALTON WASH CITRUS SPREADING GROUNDS IMPROVEMENTS (City of Azusa), Supervisorial District 1

Contractor: Olivas Valdez, Inc., P.O. Box 4079, Rancho Cucamonga, California 91729

Project Description:

Construction of outlet structures, overflow structures, and connector pipes and other appurtenant work.

Changes in Work:

` '	Variations in Bid Quantities Reconstruct Service Road and Construct Drainage	\$ 7,222.80 (20,050.00)
	Total	(\$12,827.20)

Description of Changes:

- (1) The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The increase in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities.
- (2) To meet the intent of the design, it was necessary to reconstruct an additional 170 feet of the asphalt pavement access road in lieu of regrading the basin slope and constructing a proposed parapet wall resulting in a credit to the contract. It was also necessary to construct a concrete gutter and drain for proper drainage.

Ten additional working days were required because of these changes.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on December 22, 2006, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required by the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount
Changes in work authorized by the Director
of Public Works

\$477,510.00

(12,827.20)

FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT

\$464,682.80

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ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT March 13, 2007

PROJECT ID NO. RDC0013933, FAIRWAY DRIVE MEDIAN LANDSCAPE IMPROVEMENTS (in the vicinity of Rowland Heights), Supervisorial District 4

<u>Contractor</u>: Belaire West Landscape, Inc., 7371 Walnut Avenue, Buena Park, California 90620

Project Description:

Reconstruction of center medians including the construction of colored concrete pavement, installation of an irrigation system, and the planting of trees and shrubs.

Changes in Work:

Variations in Bid Quantities

(\$11,812.60)

Description of Changes:

The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The decrease in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities. The costs for these changes were based on contract unit prices.

No additional working days were required because of these changes.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on January 30, 2007, in accordance with the plans and specifications.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$244,156.00
Actual costs of changes in work previously approved by the Board Changes in work authorized by the Director of Public Works	9,179.45
	(11,812.60)
FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	\$ <u>241,522.85</u>

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